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Before the members of the Y.M.C.A. Debating Society and a large attendance of the general public, Captain F. A. Brown on Friday evening delivered a most instructive account of British shipping past and present. Mr. R. A. Lowery presided.

"From the insular position of Britain, the first rude outline of shipping must have been in that country co-existent with the dawn of civilization itself," said the lecturer. "The necessity of some kind of vessel for fishing would doubtless be the first thing to make itself felt while the next would be the want of some means of transporting commodities from one place to another. In any case long before the Christian era the Britons appear to have understood the arts of both building and navigating vessels. Caesar speaks of the vessels of the Britons as being of a very light and flimsy construction, whilst Lucan described them as being built of twisted and interwoven willows covered with hides. The Britons, however, must have possessed even at that remote period some vessels of more importance than the kind of boats mentioned, because one of the primary objects of the invasion by Julius Caesar in 55 B.C. was to punish the Britons for sending help in ships and men to the Gallic tribes with whom he was then at war. London at that period was described as a port of considerable importance and as the chief residence of merchants. When Alfred the Great came to the throne in 871 he conceived the idea of the formation of a fleet to keep the Danes out of the country. These ships, which were built the size of any that had as yet been built, are said to have astonished all his enemies and there is a record of a naval battle more than 1000 years ago off the Isle of Wight. Alfred the Great's successor continued the use of ships of war to protect British trade and interests and later Athelstan followed the same policy. The latter was the first English monarch who made commerce a road to honour and was the first, indirectly, to subsidize British shipping. About 919 was the first establishment of the first Customs House. William the Conqueror greatly increased the security and stability of shipping and the lecturer showed how subsequent rulers maintained and increased the naval power of England during their period of office.

The fundamental principle of this system of commercial policy lay in the connection which was felt to exist between trade and industry. Trade it was said stimulated by providing a new market for its produce and with ships at hand markets were connected. These ideas of commercial policy dominated the whole of British legislation for shipping from the beginning of the seventeenth century till after the Napoleonic wars. Up till 1722 there were no dry docks. Through all the troublous times of press gangs, pirates, and what was of far greater harm, the unwise maritime laws, it was not until the latter part of the eighteenth century that British shipping had a free hand and that the laws enacted were wise and just. The 18th century changed the whole course of maritime affairs. After making reference to the application of steam to navigation, the lecturer said there appeared a probability that in the not far distant future, except perhaps in the case of small vessels and coasters sailing would become entirely a thing of the past. At no other period of the world's history had a single hundred years marked so stupendous a change in matters affecting the well-being of mankind as had the application of steam power to the purposes of locomotion both by land and sea. Reference was made to the advent of trans-Atlantic liners and Captain Brown pointed out that down to 1800 the British Government absolutely refused to allow the mails to be conveyed in any other than wooden ships. At last the restriction was withdrawn and the Cunard Company began to increase the size of their iron and steel steamers, culminating at length in these two magnificent masterpieces of marine architecture the Lusitania and Mauritania, which again brought back to Great Britain the Blue Ribband of the Atlantic. The Imperial British dominion could look with pride and satisfaction upon its shipping industry. In this it was the envy of the world and in no far as we retained our pluck, energy, determination and integrity so should we ever lead and point the way for others to follow. (Applause.)

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LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

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The Franco-British Exhibition has ended its term after a record-breaking success, so far as such enterprises are concerned, on this side of the water. I was there a few days before it closed and there was a steady stream of visitors, mainly from the provinces, as unimpaired as in the height of summer. The stoppage of the great show falls short of the unexampled fine weather, for there is a sort of Indian summer in England this year, such as I do not remember before. Many Londoners, for instance, are at the seaside, roving in sunshine, though London has a certain amount of its traditional November fog.

There are three thousand employees from the Exhibition added to the unemployed, but some of them have done by no means badly. I am told some of the English, for instance, have saved up as much as £100 apiece from penny "tips" given by visitors and are returning to their native land well-to-do. With the Senegalese, who also had a village, the situation is similar, but they are spending their money, or rather investing it on such unexpected trifles as silk dresses and sewing machines with which to startle high society in their foreign clime.

The Earl of Ronaldshay, the youthful but much-travelled author, is about to publish a new book of travel entitled "A Wandering Student in the Far East." Two previous efforts, on Far Eastern questions from his pen were successful.

The rumour that has been raised by the interview published by the *Daily Telegraph* in which the Kaiser was made to range from China to Peru in his assertions of friendship for Great Britain seems to have hit Prince von Buelow, the German Chancellor, hardest in its immediate results, and he has accordingly made a sensational admission in that he passed the interview without reading it. But the greater result, of more interest to Britons, is the storm against the Kaiser that has been raised in German breasts. The idea of being friendly to England if you take the individual German, or the individual Briton, and talk to them you find them mild-mannered towards one another, but somehow the idea has grown up on both sides of the German Ocean that the nations are, and must be, antagonistic. The curious thing is that while the Germans are railing at the Kaiser's expressions certain of English papers are openly amused at the intimation, which is not calculated to produce any sort of cordial feeling, is it?

The chief subject of debate is of course the statement that the Kaiser alone prevented a combination of Russia, France, and Germany against England in the dark days of the South African war. M. Delcasse's denial of any sort of willingness to participate in such a union is welcomed, and anyway, the *entente cordie* between England and France stands too firmly for any ancient history to disturb it. A diplomat of my acquaintance, however, "poo-poo's" the importance of the interview which he describes as revealing what everybody knew already. "Russia was certainly preparing a demonstration in Asia along our Indian border, but it only served the useful purpose of revealing the British points of weakness and the result was these points have been remedied." No harm, therefore, is likely to result from the interview, unless it be the loss of Prince von Buelow to German public life, and the Kaiser won't agree to that if he can help it.

The birds are saved. The habitues of saloon bars are therefore not so violent in their opposition to the Licensing Bill as they were. There was much pressure brought to bear on the Government by those who object to throwing 27,000 barmaids out of work at the will of the Magistrates. Mr. Asquith gave way, but he has inserted other clauses into the Bill to secure public-house closing on election days—by no means a bad idea—and the application of Sunday closing to London, except to *bona-fide* restaurants which will run as at present. Other houses will have three hours open on Sunday only. The House of Lords will surely kill the Bill, and while the Government will have pleaded some extreme temperance sections their attitude on this liquor question will give them any amount of trouble as the General Election. If defeated then in 1895, and may do so again.

The antics of the suffragettes have resulted in hard times for women candidates at local elections for the municipalities. In Hampstead a woman aspirant for London County Council work has been defeated, and a lady teacher, Miss Dove, nominated mayor of High Wycombe, has been voted against by a large majority of the townspeople. In various parts of the country numerous women, many of them experienced in public work, stood for election. All but two have been defeated. And that does not indicate the immense growth of the suffrage movement, claimed by the militant section.

The election of Mr. Taft as President of the United States excited but little interest and no surprise here. His rule will be a mild continuation of the Roosevelt policy but it is likely that his election will result in standing business forthwith. In any case the result could not affect American conditions very much, for the United States is a very firm hold of the United States. But the Rooseveltian view of international relations has given us a poor opinion of (Continued on Page 3)

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Auctions.
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etc., at Mr. Geo. P. Lammer's Sales
Room.
2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, etc., at No. 2, Canton Villas,
Kowloon.
Amusements.
9 p.m.—Performance by Hongkong
Austrian Dramatic Club in City Hall.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, December 8.—
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on this date subject to rent.
THURSDAY, December 10.—
9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.
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this date subject to rent.
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date subject to rent.
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this date subject to rent.

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2 p.m.—Tenders for the Supply of Alcon
Cement, at Yee-Han Railway Co.'s
Head Office, Canton.

MORNING, December 11.—

10 a.m.—Auction of Vintaging Stores,
at H.M. Naval Establishments.

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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1908.

THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT AND
FEMALE EDUCATION.APPARENTLY the Education Board of
the Chinese Government has been issuing
some instructions with regard to female
education, and the way that it should be
carried on. We have not seen the
Edict, but from the way in which it has
been criticised by a section of the ver-
nacular press one can form a fairly
correct idea of its tenor. It would
appear, first of all, that the instructions
prohibit male and female students from
associating with one another, the
aim being specially to prevent the
sexes from congregating and ming-
ling together at the various functions
nowadays arranged between the times
of the schools closing and opening again
for the work. The spirit of the Edict
would appear to go further, for it dis-
courage all intermingling of the sexes at
all times and under all conditions. The
wrath of the critics is roused against
this prohibition. One writer points out
that a refining influence is always at
work where the sexes mingle together,
and especially when educated students
are allowed to freely associate. In addition
to this fact, he points out that such an
order infringes upon the liberty of the
individual, a thing which cannot be
tolerated in this twentieth century,
even in China. Foreigners are not
concerned with the justness or
otherwise of these criticisms, and we
simply refer to them as an indication of
two distinct cross currents at present
moving over the surface of public life inChina. Such agitation of the surface,
however, may go much deeper than people
imagine. Meanwhile, it has always
appeared to us somewhat strange that
there should be so much fuss about the
intermingling of the educated sexes in
this empire, seeing that amongst the
common people it is the rule and not the
exception. Surely those who are be-
able to take care of themselves should
not be debarrd the freedom which
appears to be a natural condition of
affairs amongst those who have not the
means to sit in the house all day, work-
ing embroidery or smoking cigarettes.
The Government, further, would seem
to trouble itself about the fashions that
at present are in vogue amongst Chinese
ladies, both women and girls. It appears
that Shanghai is at present the centre
of Chinese female fashions, and
what is worn there to-day is
followed in Canton to-morrow. Some
specific instances are mentioned of
fashions that are offensive to the Chinese
Education Board, such as the manner
in which the hair is arranged, the grow-
ing habit of wearing leather shoes, and
sundry other peculiarities, all obnoxious
to the central authority. The question
of female fashions is too mysterious for
the ordinary male mind to fathom and
therefore the critic we are quoting is
very angry that the Government should
take upon itself to interfere in such a
matter. At most, he says, it should be
enough for the Government to interfere
with the dress of the students in Go-
vernment Schools without going further
and trying to arrange what girls shall
wear throughout China. Thirdly, it
appears that the Government fears the
habits of the West are intruding in
another important matter, and that is
in regard to the way men are wont to
select their wives. It is well-known
that in China it is the prerogative of
parents to decide all these matters, their
daughters not having any voice in their
own disposal. They must take what is
offered them, and be content—or other-
wise. The picture that the critic con-
jures up, justly or otherwise, does not
speak much for the happy working of
the old system. Indeed, he avers that
these parental arrangements lead to
constant trouble. "The youthful man
and maiden have no opportunity of feel-
ing any heart affection for each other,
and they have no mutual knowledge of
one another. When they are married, it
is not easy for them to become subject
to affection. There are therefore solitary
men and women full of resentment,
who swallow their own tears. In all
the life of the Chinese, there is no
tragedy greater than this." All things
considered it is quite time, says this
iconoclast, that young people were
allowed to seize the privileges that are
theirs, and take upon themselves the
selection of their own mates.The last point in this article that we
would call attention to is one of more
serious importance. Apparently the Ed-
ucation Department points out that if
things are allowed to go on as they are,
going at present the very structure of
Chinese society will crumble, therefore
everybody must see to it that the "Three
Obediences, and the Four Virtues" are
looked to, and the foundations made
more secure. These are well-known to
students of Chinese literature. "When
a daughter, the maid should obey
her father; when a wife her hus-
band; when a widow her son." The
four virtues are: "Care for her virtue,
care of her language, care for her work,
and her appearance." The rigid appli-
cation of these rules in China has
practically meant that women can
not appear outside the doors of their
own houses unless they are escorted,
and further they should not in any way
interfere in matters outside their own
homes. This position the critic assails
as altogether obsolete. He contends the
position that virtue means that a
woman should keep at home and
never appear outside the door
of the house. He declares that
the State is pained in its well-
being by women as well as by men
and therefore that women should be
brought up to regard their presentposition as wrongly based. There
should be freer scope for women to
exercise their gifts and abilities, for
nothing would be lost, nay something
gained, if women were allowed more
freedom. As pointed out at the
commencement of this article we have
no intention of seriously passing any
opinion on the wisdom or unwisdom of
the latest Edict of the Board of
Education, or upon the strictures of the
native critic; our duty is a simpler
one, merely to point out that the
"Woman's Question" has definitely
appeared in China and that doughty
champions are prepared to discuss the
subject in the daily press. There is
a conservative party and a liberal party
in China, and they will naturally take
sides, but there can be little doubt
that with the spread of education, the
old exclusion of women can never again
be what it has been; on the other hand
it is possible to go too fast, and to
stumble where the habit of walking
securely has not yet been properly
acquired.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Singapore has been proclaimed a port
of call at which an infectious or contagious
disease prevails.King Edward has directed the uniform
playing of the National Anthem at eighty
crochets per minute.Post Rostante list of letters and Dead
Letter notices will in future not be publish-
ed in the Gazette.The sale of ferns and plants from
the Botanic Gardens will be discontinued
after the end of the year.The London City and Midland Bank
and the North and South Wales Bank
have amalgamated with a capital of sixteen
millions sterling.It is reported from Newcastle-on-Tyne
that the whole of the engineering concerns
on the North-East Coast have been con-
solidated into one trust.The annual prize distribution in con-
nection with St. Joseph's College is to
take place on December 21, when His
Excellency the Governor will preside.For assaulting a woman and breaking
her nose, a native was fined \$2 at the
Magistrate, to-day, by Mr. H. Kamp,
and ordered to pay \$1 compensation.In order to reduce the bulk of the
Gazette and for purposes of economy
Departmental reports will not in future be
published in the Government Gazette.The Bishop of Victoria will administer
the rite of confirmation in St. John's
Cathedral on Tuesday, December 22nd.
The service will commence at 5 p.m.A coolie who was standing near a
verandah which was being repaired, at
Leighton Hill Road, this morning, was
instantaneously killed by a piece of the iron
work falling on his head.On the day of the enthronement of
the young Emperor several hundred per-
sons were arrested at different places in
Canton for shaving their heads. Fines of
\$200 each were imposed upon them for
breaking the national mourning rules.In the north transept of St. John's
Cathedral, Hongkong, a white memorial
marble tablet has been placed bearing the
names of twelve N. O. U., and men of the
3rd Batt. Middlesex Regiment, who died
in North China and Hongkong during
1906-1908.The native owner of a shop in Queen's
Road who was attacked with bamboo in a
dark part of Centre Street, a few days ago
by a number of employees whom he had
dismissed and replaced by females, has
died in the hospital to which he was
immediately admitted.President Roosevelt has appointed a
commission to probe the affairs of the U.S.
Navy Department and to submit plans for
a complete reorganization. A General
Staff to control naval affairs as the General
Staff of the Army manages military matters,
is one of the leading features of the con-
templated change.The returns of the average amount of
bank notes in circulation and of specie
reserve in Hongkong during November
was as follows:—Chartered Bank of India,
Australia and China, average, \$3,832,097,
specie, \$2,700,000; Hongkong and Shang-
hai Bank, average \$15,915,387, specie
\$11,000,000; National Bank of China,
Ltd., \$79,134, specie nil, total average
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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The King's Esquire, empowering Mr.
P. H. Tiedemann to be Consul for Russia
at Hongkong has received His Majesty's
signature.Mr. W. H. Tait, always an abstemious
man, has finally become a teetotaler; or,
as a breezy American journalist puts it,
"he's on the water-wagon."Manila cables state that Mr. Secretary
of State Root will succeed Mr. Platt as
Senator from New York, Mr. Timothy
Woodruff being placated with an Amba-
sadorship.Manila papers have some very unkind
things to say about Admiral Sperry, calling
him childish, lacking in courtesy towards
his fellow countrymen, and utterly neglect-
ful of the "unique opportunity to show
the might of America to a people here who
profit by forceful lessons only." It was
a singular fact that the Admiral was present
at none of the receptions patronized by
Governor-General Smith during the stay
of the fleet at Manila, and while Governor-
General was never present on any occasion
where the Admiral came to the fore.Some good stories attach to Dr. Lang,
the new Archbishop of York. One is con-
nected with the late Queen Victoria, who
was a keen admirer of his powers when a
young vicar. Whilst he was on a visit to
Osborne on one occasion the Queen, it is
said, remarked to him: "I hear excellent
accounts of your work at Portsea, and I
find that you actually keep a staff of twelve
curates. You should take to yourself a wife.
I believe you would be able to do with two
curates less." "Ah, no, Most Reverend,"
the vicar is stated to have replied, "that would
scarcely do. If I have a curate who does
not suit I can get rid of him, but I could
not do the same with a wife." "True,"
was the reply, "but take the advice of an
old woman and marry. God will give you
a good wife."

THE S.S. FATSHAN CASE.

The Self Government Association held a
meeting at Canton yesterday to discuss the
s.s. Fatshan case. Amongst those present
were Messrs. Fung Yuk-yan, Tam Shiu Pao,
Tsu Ching Po, Chan Tsi Wan.Before the meeting ended all those pre-
sent, numbering over one hundred, were
photographed.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The American Consulate General at
Hongkong received the following telegram
from the Manila Observatory at 10.30 a.m.
December 5. Cyclone or typhoon East of
the Visayas moving W. N. W.

HEADMASTER DISMISSED.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
CANTON, December 4.
The headmaster of the Whampoa Military
College has been dismissed for his alleged
bad management. Colonel Wong Sze
Leung, who was educated at Nanyang
Military College has succeeded him.THE AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN
DIAMOND JUBILEE.The minister of the Austro-Hungarian
Foreign office has wired to the Austro-
Hungarian Consulate in Hongkong:
"Please convey to the Governor of Hong-
kong the Emperor's thanks for the kind
congratulations wired to Vienna on the
occasion of the celebration of sixtieth an-
niversary of his reign."
His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard
personally conveyed his congratulations on
this auspicious event at the garden party
given by Mr. Consul von Wiser on Wednes-
day last.Five men appeared before Mr. J. R.
Wood, at the Magistrate, to-day, on an
adjoined charge of demanding money by
menaces from a native woman. Three
defendants were sentenced to six months'
imprisonment, each while the other two
were discharged.

A NOTABLE FACT.

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THE REICHSTAG DEBATE.

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COMMITTEE.(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter,
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LONDON, December 4.The Reichstag debate has concluded
and all motions on procedure have been
referred to committee.BRITISH UNIVERSITY
FOR CHINA.PALACE TO BE BUILT FOR
PRINCE REGENT.

(Woh Tse Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, December 4.

The Prince Regent has decided that
one hundred days after the death of the
late Emperor the independence of the
Law Departments shall be in force.
The Imperial Household Department
and the various Boards have decided at
a conference to build a separate Palace
for Prince Chun, the Regent.Great Britain and France propose
establishing universities in Tientsin
and Shanghai.(REUTER'S SERVICE.)
GERMANY.

LONDON, December 3.

The Liberals and Radicals have start-
ed a great constitutional debate in the
Reichstag on Ministerial responsibility
in connection with the Kaiser's inter-
views and speeches.

ITALY.

LONDON, December 3.

The debate in the Italian Chamber
was notable for a speech by the ex-
Minister Signor Sonnino condemning
Signor Tittoni's attitude in regard to
the annexation of Bosnia and Herze-
govina as a grave mistake.CHINA AND THE JAPAN-
AMERICAN AGREEMENT.

LONDON, December 3.

The Times correspondent in Peking
wires that before signing the Japan-
American Agreement it was com-
municated to the Wai Wai-pu with a
hope that China would recognise the
United States' traditional friendship.
China fully approved of the Agreement.THE UNITED STATES AND
CHINA.

LONDON, December 3.

President Roosevelt has received Mr.
Tang Shao-yi and suite at the White
House. The Envoy presented a letter
of thanks to the United States for
cancelling a portion of the Boxer
indemnity. The Envoy also gave a
most courteous speech, to which Pres-
ident Roosevelt replied in suitable
terms, concluding with China on the
death of the late Emperor and Empress.

THE NEAR EAST.

LONDON, December 3.

The Pester Lloyd states that twenty
battalions have been ordered to Bosnia.
A Turco-Montenegrin Agreement
rounding off the frontier, to avoid
future quarrels, has been concluded.SNEAKERS' HEADACHE CURE—Nervous,
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THE INVASION OF ENGLAND.

WHAT CAN BE DONE IN A FOG.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

London, December 4.

Rear-Admiral Frank Finnis, of the Home Fleet, speaking at Dover, said that during the last manoeuvres he conveyed a force representing 7,000 men to the Scottish coast, unseen by the British Fleet, owing to the prevalence of fog at the time.

"A COUNTRY GIRL."

His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard attended the performance of "A Country Girl" at the Theatre Royal on Friday evening. There was again a crowded house and the musical comedy went with a splendid swing from start to finish. Many of the lady principals received handsome floral tributes during the course of the evening, while Barry was more comical than ever. It is rather a pity, though, that encores should be so freely demanded, it draws out the entertainment to an inordinate length.

CIVIL SERVICE CRICKET CLUB.

Special Meeting.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Civil Service Cricket Club was held at Happy Valley on Friday evening. Hon. Mr. W. Chetam presided and said the business of the meeting was to confirm a resolution, passed at their previous meeting, "That a permanent club building be erected." Since the last meeting place had been prepared, and tenders had been obtained. So far no application had been made to the Government for permission to erect the building, but he did not think there would be any obstacles put in the way. The design was a promising one, and would provide a handsome and valuable place for the club.

The motion was confirmed. Mr. Jeffrey said that four tenders had been received for the following prices:—\$4,800, \$4,400, \$3,500, and \$3,700. Another tender was for \$3,000 but contained a provision that old, sound bricks might be used. There was no objection to this. The Chairman said \$3,000 was within the limit of what they expected to spend. It was informed that \$2,800 had been obtained up to the present, and the club funds would be able to provide the balance if all went well. It did not matter if the materials were old, so long as they were sound, because they would be entirely invisible when the building was finished. What concerned them was to get a building within their means. He proposed that the committee be authorized to accept the tender once the sanction of the Government had been obtained.

This was agreed to. The Chairman said that assuming the contractors got good weather, they should be able to finish within the time specified—four months.

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INTERPORT ORIOCKET.

Hongkong "B" v. Canton.

In delightful conditions this match opened on the ground of the Hongkong Cricket Club this morning.

The home side went to the wickets first, Hinds and Lang facing the bowling of Saunders and Comrie. From the first ball delivered Hinds hit a two, while the same over produced a boundary off Lang's bat. After Saunders had bowled a maiden over Lang fouled the boundary again. Just after, however, he hit up from the same bowler, by whom he was easily caught. The score now stood at 19, towards which Lang had contributed 14. Day was the new-comer, and with his second knock he credited his side with a four, which he repeated a moment later. Just before 40 was registered Wallis took over the ball from Comrie, but his opening over brought no luck. Hinds was fortunate in not being caught off the first ball of the next over, and then followed a series of single runs. The half-century brought no change in the batsmen, and the next incident of note was a nice cut from Day off Wallis, which resulted in a boundary. At 60 however, the Hongkong man was smartly caught at the wicket by Drummond. His score of 25 was compiled at a good rate.

The home captain, Makin, now joined Hinds at the wickets. For a time runs came slowly, both bowlers giving the home pair some little anxiety, so that what few runs were added came mostly in singles. At length however Makin had a chance, of which he availed himself by finding the boundary line, and thus bringing the score to 80. At this stage Pratt went on vice Saunders, but the change failed to secure the desired effect, 11 runs being made off his first over. But on the second ball of Wallis' next delivery Hinds' wicket was taken, his contribution being 30 runs.

With the score at 97, Shenton went in, but Wallis further continued his success by capturing this man's middle stump two balls later, no further runs having been added. Dashwood was next in and soon the century was recorded, the newcomer securing two boundaries in successive hits. A few balls later he added another four off a ball from Wallis, while in the following over he repeated the performance from the bowling of Pratt, carrying the score to 120. Pratt was shortly afterwards relieved, for Saunders to go on again, while at the other end Comrie was put on again. Scoring was arrested for a time, the next two overs only yielding one run. Immediately afterwards a change came, Dashwood being easily caught by Saunders, from whom the ball came. The outgoing man had put together 24, and the scoring board now read 126 for 5.

Waterhouse now became associated with Makin, but the bowlers gave the home pair very little freedom only two runs being added in four overs. At 141 Waterhouse left as the result of a good catch by Thorne off Comrie, while one run later Read, the new man in was run out without having credited his side with a score. Jacks joined Makin and some lively batting was participated in by both men, the latter once hitting clean out of the ground.

A double change of bowling was now tried but runs were still added, Jacks playing some profitable strokes. A boundary by Makin signalled 182 runs, and on the following ball his middle stump was taken with a full-tither from Wallis, in attempting to hit to leg. The home captain had been four men in and he gave a capital display, putting together 59. With eight wickets down Stevens came in and treated the spectators to the opportunity of seeing ten runs scored in two strokes at 201. Jacks was leg before, and the last man in was Shields. After his appearance only four runs were added to the score, and the innings closed just before one o'clock for 205.

The adjournment was then made for 4 p.m., at which H. E. the Governor Sir F. Lugard was present.

The scores were:—
HONGKONG "B."
E. A. Hinds, b Wallis ... 30
A. O. Lang, c and b Saunders ... 14
R. W. Day, c Drummond, b Saunders ... 25
H. E. Makin, b Wallis ... 59
W. E. L. Shenton, b Wallis ... 0
A. P. Dashwood, c and b Saunders ... 24
W. Waterhouse, c Thorne, b Comrie ... 4
E. B. Read, run out ... 0
F. Jacks, lb.w., b Wallis ... 16
F. H. H. Stevens, b Saunders ... 2
C. E. Shields, not out ... 2
Extras ... 10
Total ... 205

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Saunders ... 19 ... 4 ... 64 ... 4
Comrie ... 18 ... 2 ... 27 ... 1
Wallis ... 15 ... 0 ... 51 ... 4
Pratt ... 3 ... 0 ... 28 ... 0
Rossiter ... 2 ... 0 ... 25 ... 8

CANTON.
R. S. Pratt, at Dashwood b Shields ... 15
R. C. Comrie b Shields ... 1
W. R. Robertson b Shields ... 1
A. G. Wallis at Dashwood b Shields ... 3
J. T. M. Drummond b Read ... 12
W. W. G. Rose b Shields ... 5
W. G. Saunders b Read ... 0
G. S. Thorne b Shields b Read ... 11
G. H. E. Rossiter b Read ... 1
F. P. W. Turner not out ... 21
F. L. Clyde c Read b Martin ... 7
Extras ... 7
Total ... 62

Canton followed on.

At Lucknow, on November 19th the Viceroy made his first important pronouncement on the political situation, since the recent attempted assassination of Sir Andrew Fraser. Lord Minto said India was face to face with a conspiracy which, if not suppressed, must cripple the future of the country. A poisonous seed had been sown and had grown up into a noxious weed, which must be dug up and cast out. The British Government was determined to shut the door in the face of ruinous anarchy, and for special difficulties it would not hesitate to force special weapons.

RAMBLING NOTES.

I doff my cap to the A.D.C. Greatly daring, they have achieved a splendid success with "A Country Girl." And oh, that Barry!

I see that the Hongkong Football League is now an accomplished fact, and that several league games were on the card for this afternoon.

Mr. J. F. Youngs, the popular advance agent of the Bandmann Comedy Company, is now in town making arrangements for the forthcoming visit of his company, which opens at the theatre on Thursday, the 10th of the present month. The booking is in the hands of Moutrie and Co.

I see that the Y. R. C. have secured the services of a new gymnastic instructor for the forthcoming season. From all accounts the new man comes with a splendid record behind him as an instructor, and it only remains with those members of the Y. R. C. who take an interest in gymnastics to pull together so as to lend encouragement to the new instructor.

How grateful the evening fire have been this past week, grateful and comforting after the discomforts and worries of the day. It seems absurd that fires should be absolutely necessary in Hongkong, situated as it is on the verge of the tropics. But as I heard an old resident remark the other day, "the climate of Hongkong would be alright if it wasn't so beastly cold."

I am glad to see that some little folks in this Colony still retain their faith in Santa Claus. The other day accident (or design) sent the following letter across my path: it was written in a very childish, sprawling hand and had evidently cost much time and thought, judging from the used-up tired-looking condition of the paper:—
"North Pole Santa Claus Esq Dear Santa Claus could I have a sword a canon some soldier clothes I am turned a new leaf I am not a bad boy mother says.
Your loving,
* * * * *

It is more than probable that we will soon have another boxing entertainment, for I see that Wallis, of the Astrae, is willing to meet anyone of the Wilmington, with a preference for Jimmie O'Rourke. Kid Marriot, of the Naval Yard, is also open to box. Why doesn't the same firm provide that someone will put up a purse. From what I have seen of the various men, were they to meet, the show would be a great success, financially and otherwise. It only remains now with some of the sporting members of the Colony to get the ball rolling in the hopes of securing the necessary collars.

Now Mr Editor, I know you go to Kowloon sometimes, because I've seen you; in fact I think you live there. Well, have you ever noticed a couple with a heavy package trying to gain access to one or other of the Star Ferry Wharves? Isn't it an old, antiquated ideal? The poor beggars have to hold their packages on a hand-polly on the one side, by their jackets before going through the turn-stile and then let the packages down on the other. Two launches could be misused in the time it takes them sometimes. Why doesn't the same firm Co. introduce a system of passos or some other more up to date. Isn't wonder our American friends laugh at some of the things they see in Hongkong. I wonder whether the Star Ferry will take the tip?

Last Sunday the Corinthian Yacht Club held their postponed opening cruise to Li-chi-hok, and as it so happened they could not have wished for a better day. There was a nice steady breeze, with sufficient of King Solomon's ferry face to keep the outer man warm. I was one of a party on board the La Cigale during the day, consequently I had a splendid view of the day's racing. As there was a plentiful supply of good things on board the party had no need to go ashore, preferring a life on the ocean wave. The score, about which I had some doubts, improved with the keeping, and the *afresco* stilling which the party set down to was voted a great success. My old friend Spiff, before disembarking remarked, "We could do with this every week," to which (seeing the subtle philosophy of his remarks), of course, I assented. Who wouldn't, I wonder?

It is not every blue-jacket who can order a packet of "fags" through the Queen. But one man in the senior service can claim this unique distinction. It came about in this way. Queen Alexandra was visiting one of the Royal Naval Hospitals the other day and in the course of her tour came to a blue-jacket's bedside. Her Majesty chatted with the man for a few minutes, and then asked him whether there was anything he would particularly like. The patient, with the usual frankness of the sailor, replied: "Yes, your Majesty, I should so like a packet of fags." The nurse for a moment looked puzzled, but tactfully smiled and promised that his wishes should be granted. As soon as she had the chance, she asked one of her staff the meaning of the word "fag," which was unknown to the Royal vocabulary. When the slang was unpacked, she immediately ordered a packet of cigarettes for the blue-jacket.

The great social event of the year has come and gone. The pious memory of St. Andrew was celebrated in right guid style at the City Hall last Monday night. The Scots of the Colony have to be congratulated on the manner in which they answered the call of their Chief, and the two dancing halls resounded with mirth

and contentment until the "was amn hours ayont the twal." The station lights at a half-past twelve, however, were burning brightly long after that hour, and I hear that the station-master had the dell's own work in getting the gates closed for the night. That most energetic and large-souled of men, Follyer David Wood, worked very hard during the weeks preceding the ball, and to him and his various committees, more so than responsible for the decorations, too much praise cannot be given, but humbly being one of the characteristic of those on the border, I'll say no more. The Chief of two years ago looked fine in his kilts as he tripped the light fantastic in the masses of the Highland dancers. I wonder if Iververgie and Iververgie will follow his example as another year comes round. You must excuse the examples of the baw Scotch tongue which cause this paragraph to scintillate with a light reflected from that glorious evening!

London society, I read in Home papers, we badly itching, however, was burning at a greater number of outdoor dances and fetes, as well as garden parties, than ever before. Following the lead of Mr. J. M. Aquilla, the wife of the premier, many society women used their gardens frequently for entertainments. But soon hostesses were complaining bitterly of the number of uninvited guests who appeared at these parties. The device of having detectives present proved useless; uninvited guests were not criminals, only smart young men who do it for a lark. Seeing an evening stretched out last night, I went to the house of one of my friends, all without personally knowing the host or hostess. I have heard similar tales of like happenings at public balls in this Colony. Comment is superfluous.

RAMBLER.

THE STAMP ORDINANCE.

An Interesting Point of Law.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Magistracy, this morning, the case was called on in which Messrs. H. Rutledge and Son, were summoned under the stamp ordinance. It will be remembered that Messrs. Rutledge were summoned for having failed to comply with the ordinance in placing a stamp on a receipt of over \$25, and when the case was heard was dismissed by Mr. J. R. Wood on the point of law that masters were not liable for acts of their servants. The Crown immediately took the matter to the Full Court and the case was remitted to the Magistracy with the order that the defendant be "summoned" again and fined.

Mr. H. L. Denny appeared for the Crown and Mr. W. Goldring watched the case on behalf of Mr. Rutledge.

His Worship asked, as defendant did not appear, if he had been served with a copy of the order.

Mr. Denny:—I don't think he was served with a copy personally, I believe it went to Mr. Goldring, but if he has not been served he can be served now and I therefore ask for an adjournment.

Mr. Goldring:—There is no case to adjourn. The case was concluded at the previous hearing. There was nothing to bring Mr. Rutledge before the Court.

Mr. Denny:—He got your Worship's note.

Mr. Goldring:—The order under the ordinance provides that defendant must be summoned again.

Mr. Denny:—I understand defendant has been summoned.

Mr. Goldring:—No; he only got the letter.

His Worship:—(To Mr. Goldring). Can you give me any authority?

Mr. Goldring:—The ordinance in such a case as this, where the person who is dissatisfied with the decision of the Magistrate and not to the Crown.

His Worship:—The defendant has not got a new summons but the letter informed him that the case would be called on so, that the order of the Supreme Court might be obeyed.

Mr. Goldring then read the letter which asked Mr. Rutledge to kindly call at the Magistracy that morning in order to be fined.

Mr. Goldring:—Immediately the case was dismissed at the previous hearing it was disposed of.

His Worship:—There are no forms provided?

His Worship:—I am told to summons defendant on a form. I sent a notification which gave all the information required.

Mr. Goldring:—Yes. But I submit he must be summoned on a proper form.

His Worship:—There are no forms.

Mr. Goldring:—My contention is that the case is finished.

Mr. Denny:—If defendant has not been served with the order I would wish that he be served and I ask for an adjournment so that he may be served.

His Worship:—I don't think he is entitled to be served with the order. Defendant was in court and heard the order.

Mr. Goldring:—Oh yes, he is.

His Worship:—It bears the Registrar's signature.

Mr. Denny:—(To Mr. Goldring). You would say the Registrar does not know his own signature?

Mr. Goldring:—Oh no, I did not say such a thing.

His Worship:—Can I hear evidence against?

Mr. Goldring:—A person cannot be summoned twice with respect to the same case.

Further argument ensued and the case was adjourned until Thursday at 11 a.m.

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P. NALIN, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, December 1, 1908. 1618

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOI.

THE Steamship, GREGORY APOAR,

Captain S. H. BROWN, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 8th inst., at Noon.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers, is installed throughout with Electric Light and carries a duly certified Doctor.

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Hongkong, December 1, 1908. 1617

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THE Steamship, BOHIA,

Captain BIANCHI, will be despatched for the above ports on SATURDAY, the 12th inst., at Noon.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to
CARLOVITZ & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 2, 1908. 1611

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THE Steamship, DEVANHA, Captain W. HAYARD, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mail, will be despatched for the above ports on SATURDAY, the 12th December, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's Steamship Himalaya 7,000 tons, from Colombo, East Indies, to London, via Suez and Port Said.

Silk and Valuable, all Cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer, proceeding to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, etc., will be conveyed via Bombay by the R.M.S. Arabia, due in London on the 23rd January, 1909.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, November 23, 1908. 1613

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THE Steamship, TUDOR PRINCE,

Captain McDOUGALL, will be despatched for the above ports on SATURDAY, the 12th December, 1908.

For Freight, apply to
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Hongkong, November 11, 1908. 1647

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Captain BIRSON, will be despatched at above or about THURSDAY, the 24th December.

This Steamer has capital accommodation for passengers, Electric Light and carries a Doctor.

For information as to Passage & Freight, apply to
SANDER, WIELAND & Co., Agents.

Princes' Buildings.

Hongkong, November 27, 1908. 1609

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship Lightning having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed at once, at Consignees' risk and expense. Cargo remaining on board after 2 p.m. of the 10th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

Consignees of Cargo from Singapore and Penang are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, December 3, 1908. 1632

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO'S STEAMER ATIZ.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns and on the Quay.

Consignees of Cargo from Singapore and Penang are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, December 4, 1908. 1639

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

KORDDRUSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship BURLOW,

having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Optum, Tobacco and Valuable, are being landed and stored at their risk into the basements and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Shanghai Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point. Goods of Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon where such Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optum Goods will be landed here, instructions are given to the contrary before 6 Home.

Goods not cleared by the 10th inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, December 4, 1908. 1639

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E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, December 4, 1908. 1639

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM KIDDERBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON, COLOMBO AND SINGAPORE.

THE Co's Steamship Kamo Maru, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where such Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on under instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, To-day.

Goods not cleared before the 10th Dec., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co's representatives at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within seven days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Agents.

Hongkong, December 3, 1908. 1635

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Hongkong, November 23, 1908. 1611

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DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, December 1, 1908. 1619

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